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CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF EARLIER U.S./PCT APPLICATION(S) UNDER 35 U.S.C. 120

Ihereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, S 120 of any United States application(s) or PCT international application(s) designating the United States of America that is/are listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in that/those prior application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, S 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent, which occurred between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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Systems and Methods for Collecting Leukocyte-Reduced Blood Components

Including Plasma that is Free or Virtually Free of Cellular Blood Species

### Response to Requirement for Species Election

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450



Dear Sir:

This responds to the Requirement for a Species Election mailed January 8, 2003, for which a shortened one month period of response was established.

A five month extension to respond is respectfully requested, up to an including July 8, 2003.

Applicant elects Species I (Figures 9, 14, 15, and 17 to 19).

Applicant respectfully traverses the election requirement, to the extent it does not include the embodiment of the filter shown in Figure 16. This embodiment is generic to all the species, which encompass different forms of blood collection systems. The filter shown in Figure 16 could be used in any one of the systems. Furthermore, the claims are not directed to any particular construction of the filter.

Applicant believes that the following claims read on the elected species: 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 13, 16, 17, and 18. Claims 1, 2, 5, and 18 are believed to be generic.

Respectfully Submitted,

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